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U.S. Exports: January through April 2002 and 2003 Comparisons

U.S. poultry exports for the first four months of 2003 totaled 775,669 MT compared to 776,718 MT in 2002. While the volume was about unchanged, the value fell 10 percent, to \$499,673,000 in 2003 versus \$557,783,000 for the same period in 2002.

U.S. Exports of Chicken Leg Quarters

	Volume MT		Value '000 dollars	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
China	2,073	9,315	2,404	2,952
Hong Kong	12,293	1,421	5,638	727
Subtotal	14,366	10,556	8,042	3,679
Mexico	6,990	4,985	4,680	2,871
Russia	147,337	216,708	91,563	98,095
World	298,149	440,168	177,740	201,084

U.S. Exports of Shell Eggs

	Volume dozens		Value '000 dollars	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
Caribbean	292,856	951,150	531	626
EU	32,709	6,354,077	94	2,657
Middle East	475,336	400,318	447	292
Asia	8,568,856	6,448,272	4,080	3,149
World	12,800,246	16,211,560	7,559	8,469

U.S. Exports of Egg Products

	Volume MT		Value '000 dollars	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
Dried Whole	713.4	2,256.6	1,971	3,519
Dried Yolk	121.6	430.5	455	1,840
White	1,348.0	183.3	2,188	709
Frozen/Liquid Whole	1,282.4	1,180.1	1,545	2,031
Frozen/Liquid Yolk	2,627.2	3,296.0	4,821	7,116
Frozen/Liquid White	755.6	1,244.7	549	1,373

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Trade Data Collection

Japan: Frozen Broiler Imports (in tons)

	United States	China	Brazil	Thailand	Total
2002					
January	3,179	11,207	21,107	22,347	57,840
February	5,264	5,890	15,369	18,500	45,023
March	2,181	5,930	15,647	16,595	40,353
Total	10,624	23,027	52,123	57,442	143,216
2003					
January	4,555	9,529	18,014	14,602	46,700
February	2,959	7,566	9,444	12,969	32,938
March	3,036	9,633	9,754	13,539	35,962
Total	10,550	26,728	37,212	41,110	115,600

Source: ALIC Monthly statistics

Updates on India and International Trade

India and China Agree to Work in Concert at WTO

The commerce ministers from India and China decided to further step up bilateral trade and increase cooperation to safeguard the interests of developing nations at the WTO. The Indian Commerce Minister, who accompanied the Prime Minister to China, said that the two countries are the fastest developing as well as the world's most populated nations, had many commonalities, and should stand together in protecting the interest of developing nations at multilateral fora like the WTO. "I hope that the voice of India and China, which together constitute one-third of the world's population, should have a say in the affairs of global trade," he said.

India and Thailand Free Trade Agreement

India and Thailand are likely to conclude a bilateral free trade agreement (FTA) soon. This was indicated when the Thai Minister of Commerce, Adisai Bodharamik, called on India's Minister of Commerce and Industry, for bilateral discussions during the WTO mini-ministerial meeting in Egypt. The idea of an FTA between India and Thailand was launched during the Thai Prime Minister's India visit in November 2001. "Since then, considerable work has been done by both sides in the joint working group meetings on the subject and the draft framework agreement has almost been finalized," according to an Indian government press release.

India-Singapore Trade Pact

The stage is being set for the third round of joint negotiations on July 1 and 2 in Singapore for finalizing the India-Singapore Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA). The Indian Commerce Secretary, Mr. Dipak Chatterjee, will lead a 34-member Indian team for the July talks in Singapore. According to informed sources, several more rounds of talks are scheduled, as this would be the first time that India would be signing such a CEAC, which would cover not only a Free Trade Agreement, but also other important areas of bilateral cooperation covering both goods, services, and investments. The CEAC could be signed before April 2004.

Free Trade Agreement with Mercosur

India expects a free trade agreement with Mercosur, a regional group consisting of Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, and Paraguay, to be signed by end-August 2003. The list of goods on which preferential treatment is to be accorded by the countries will be finalized this month. When fully operational, India expects the FTA to more than double two-way trade - from \$1.3 billion to over \$3 billion in the next five years. It will remain in force for three years and can be terminated by either side on one month's notice. A preliminary framework agreement with Mercosur was recently signed during the visit of Minister of State for Commerce and Industries Satyabrata Mookherjee to Paraguay. "We view the Mercosur commercial grouping as a prospective close trade partner of India," he said.

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 28, 2003	Year-To-Date			
Type	2003	2002 /1	2003	2002
Liquid	507	351	8,070	9,676
Frozen	0	0	3	21
Dried	0	0	257	320
Total	507	351	8,330	10,017

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending June 28, 2003	Year-To-Date			
Type	2003	2002 /1	2003	2002
Liquid	64	112	2,932	3,421
Frozen	12	149	1,638	1,879
Dried	40	168	801	2,793
Total	116	429	5,371	8,093

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 28, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002 /1	2003	2002
Jumbo	15	0	241	1,161
Extra Large	869	1,225	11,447	11,875
Large	2,697	2,700	47,115	64,012
Medium	1,680	1,680	32,268	26,592
Ungraded	6,600	2,430	37,746	172,235
Misc	0	0	3,852	12,184
Total	11,861	8,035	132,669	288,059

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 28-Jun-03

(PRELIMINARY)

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	1,474	1,544	3,018
LAST WEEK	1,564	1,596	3,160
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,572	1,582	3,154
TO-DATE/2003	42,868	35,312	78,180
TO-DATE/2002	47,075	34,933	82,008

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	121	0	121
LAST WEEK	287	14	301
SAME WEEK YR AGO	263	0	263
TO-DATE/2003	6,523	100	6,623
TO-DATE/2002	8,483	38	8,521

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,595	1,544	3,139
LAST WEEK	1,851	1,610	3,461
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,835	1,582	3,417
TO-DATE/2003	49,391	35,412	84,803
TO-DATE/2002	55,558	34,971	90,529

SOURCE: USDA/AMS PLTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BR.

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

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CHICKEN03-JUL-2003
— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	14.00-19.00	13.00-17.00	243,200	-
WTD AVERAGE	16.50	16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.00	10.00-14.50	1,588,000	323,200
WTD AVERAGE	13.00	11.31		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

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15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.50-18.50	18.00	622,000	522,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.87	18.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-16.50	11.00-15.00	1,420,000	260,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.30	12.07		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	11.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 03 JULY 2003.

Trading was very limited going into the holiday weekend, consisting of mostly less than trucklot volumes. Tom drums were steady, tom wings mostly steady and tom necks were barely steady. Hen parts were generally steady. Supplies of thigh meat were balanced keeping market tone steady. Mechanically separated turkey was available however buyer interest was lacking and prices were under pressure. Export demand was fair to Russia, Asia and Mexico. Fresh tom drums moved at 24.5 cents to the border.

FRIDAY, JULY 04, 2003

NO REPORTING DUE TO INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

					WEEKLY	
THURSDAY, JULY 03, 2003					WTD	WEEKLY
<u>EXPORT TRADING</u>	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	24.59	296	24.59	296
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	20.00	324	20.00	324
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	25.00	216	25.00	216
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		W	14.50	108	15.82	228
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	50.50		50.50	40	49.70	606
WEDNESDAY, JULY 02, 2003						
<u>EXPORT TRADING</u>	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)		
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	24.59	296		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	20.00	324		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	216		
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	14.50		14.50	108		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	52.00		52.00	216		
TUESDAY, JULY 01, 2003						
<u>EXPORT TRADING</u>	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)		
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.50-25.00		24.59	296		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	20.00		20.00	324		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	24.00	104		
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	16.50		16.50	80		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	45.50-52.00		48.18	350		
MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2003						
<u>EXPORT TRADING</u>	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)		
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	24.56	252		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	24.00	104		
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	18.00		18.00	40		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	61.76	952		

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.

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